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In re Application of:

Raymond Allan Pickup et al

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AMENDMENTS AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION DATED February 8, 2005

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed February 8, 2005, Applicants respectfully request that the amendments set forth below be entered and request reconsideration of the rejections set forth in the Office Action in light of these amendments and the remarks below.

As the two-month shortened statutory period for reply is April 8, 2005, this Response is considered timely filed.